# Abdel ZENATI HOTEL MANAGER



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#### **EDUCATION**

# **EDHEC BUSINESS SCHOOL**

*February 2016 – May 2017* MBA – General Management



# CORNELL UNIVERSITY

March – June 2018

Revenue Management Certificate

August – December 2018

Hospitality Management Certificate Hotel Real Estate Investments & Asset Management Certificate



# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

My twenty five-year background in hotel management includes various positions. It gives me thus a perfect understanding of the different services involved in hotel leading.

Holder of an MBA in International General Management, a Revenue Management, Hospitality Management, Hotel Real Estate investments and Asset Management certifications completed with eCornell University Certification.

As Operation Manager, Food & Beverage Director and Deputy General Manager, I am able to handle several day-to-day functions supervising a workforce of more than hundred employees, implementing the necessary changes to the different operations, through their respective area managers.

Part of the executive committee, I work with the General Manager to define hotel strategies and support the operation to implement them and analyze the performance,

as well as all strategies, projects and financial reports meetings, with the owners.

# NOTABLE CARREER HIGHLIGHTS

# DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER

December 2018

Le Meridien Beach Plaza\*\*\*\*, Monte Carlo, Monaco. Marriott Hotels & Resorts - Present

Worldwide, Inc. [397 rooms] - www.lemeridiencom/monaco

Hotel Le Meridien Beach Plaza, 397 rooms including 18 suites, 2 restaurants, 1 bar, 3 swimming pools & FitnessCenter, 14 meeting rooms, Meeting Space Up to 3000 M2.

Managed a team of 275 employees up to 500 during summer

Increased occupancy to reach an annual average of 62 % (+2.8pts) 2019

Increase hotel revenue by 2% in 2019

Increased a GOP by 3.29% in 2019

Increased RevPAR by +3€.21 in 2019

Increased Guest satisfaction by 2.6pts.

Reorganized and optimized all services in order to gain on productivity

Build and used strategic partnerships to achieve goals

Facilitated cooperation across disciplines and properties within the area/market.

Modeled and coached the team on building effective organizational and job structures with clear leadership accountabilities.

Presented information to all the employees in a convincing and engaging way.

Used a variety of data on market conditions and competitors to establish property strategy.

Used economic, financial, industry and customer data to identify business opportunities.

Prioritized property capital expenditure needs to ensure the most impactful investments are made.

Ensured effective pricing strategies are in place

Showed a strong understanding of the operating principals, resource needs, terminology, and interdependence among all property department.

Evaluated industry and market trends when developing new strategies and programs.

Monitored and ensured compliance contracts, owner, obligations, and reporting requirements.

# FOOD & BEVERAGE DIRECTOR

Le Meridien Etoile \*\*\*\*, Marriott International, Inc. Paris, France [1025 rooms] - www.lemeridienetoile.com

July 2014-November 2018

Turnover: 18 million € in F&B and C&B department.

Report to the General Manager.

Leading of 8 managers and 260 associates of F&B and C&B department.

Managing the Conference Center (Rooms for up to 1000 guests) and the Events sales department

Managing in room dining / 1 steakhouse restaurant / 1 Bar / 1 Jazz Club / 2 kitchens and the Stewarding

Skill at working in a strongly unionized environment.

In charge of the area F&B meetings in France (7 Hotels).

# F&B Strategy

Manage various projects (eg.: Renovation, new menus and concepts).

Launch of the Club Lounge and the Grab and Go outlet after renovation.

Develop and drive F&B strategy.

Implement online sales for the outlet with different web sites (tasty cloud, too good to go...).

# Finance

Prepare annual budget and weekly financial forecast.

Analyze the Profit and Loss accounts and report it to the GM.

Elaboration and presentation of annual budget and strategies for owners.

Monthly P&L presentation to the owners.

Increase F&B revenues by 25% (2016-2017)

Increase the department profit by 4.80%

# **EXPERTISE IN**

Hotel service standards

Guest journey experience

Food and Beverage

Total quality management

Team leadership and coaching

Cross culture communication

Risk management

Project management

Turnaround business units

Entrepreneurial flair

# **PROFESSIONAL**

# **SOFTWARE**

Powerpoint, Excel, Word

# PMS / POS

Adaco, Protel, Micros, Opéra, Octime

# **FOREIGN**

#### FLUENT

French, English, Arabic

# USEFUL WORKING KNOWLEDGE

Italian

#### **OUTSIDE**

Music, Sports, Reading

Travelling: USA, South Africa, South America

# REFERENCES

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#### **OPERATIONS MANAGER**

Hotel Explorers \*\*\* Thomas Cook Group

[390 rooms] - www.explorershotels.com

Selected hotels of Disneyland Resort Paris

# Management

Managed 120 employees.

# Results

Increased occupancy to reach an annual average of 73%.

Average Daily Rate gone up by 8% (2008-2009).

Reduced cost wages by 13% and reorganized all the services

Improved the average restaurant visit by 12%.

Increased the restaurant business by 8%.

Lowered staff Turnover by 16%.

Achieved guest satisfaction Index by 7% and reached 27%.

Food and Beverage profit.

Enhanced the other revenue index by 5%.

# ROOMS DIVISION MANAGER

Hotel Explorers \*\*\* Thomas Cook Group

[390 Rooms] - www.explorershotels.com

Selected hotels of Disneyland Resort Paris

# Management

Managed of 85 employees

Setting up the upsell program with reception team.

Daily basis operations with the room division teams

Managed of global room renovation (9 months)

Increased guest satisfaction by 6.3%

In charge of audits with Thomas cook group

# Finance

Monthly Report presentation to the owners

Preparation and presentation of the room budget.

Decreased Laundry cost per room and per guest

Setting up the room cleaning outsourcing

#### Results

Analyze the Profit and Loss accounts and reported to the GM

Decrease of Linen cost per room and per guest by 2.8%

Optimization of room revenue through the upsell set up at the reception.

# F&B MANAGER then ROOM DIVISION MANAGER

Moevenpick Dreamcastle Paris \*\*\*\* Moevenpick Group

rebranded Dream Caste Hotel - Vienna international Group

[400 rooms] - Selected hotels of Disneyland Resort Paris www.dreamcastle-hotel.com

# **Pre-opening**

Researched and negotiated of all supplier contracts

Recruited teams

Created and implemented of all F&B menus

Implemented of all F&B procedures

Managed and monitored of team trainings

Negotiated with all the suppliers

# Management

Managed 55 peoples

Managed 2 restaurants, 1 bar and 6 conference rooms

Organized and follow-up of all conferences and special events

Increased the guest satisfaction index by 9%

#### Finance

Analyzed the Profit and Loss accounts and reported to the GM.

Elaborated annual budget.

Increased average F&B rate by 7%

Increased productivity by 4%

#### DISNEYLAND PARIS THEME PARC

www.disneylandparis.fr

# DISNEYCRUISELINE USA

http://www.disneycruise.com

March 2009 – June 2014

March 2007 – March 2009

June 2004 – March 2007 Pre-Opening

March 2001-May 2004